



Hello,

I'm Professor John Vinney, Vice-Chancellor here at Bournemouth University.

Now you have had a little time to settle in, I am delighted to welcome all our new students to BU, and welcome you back if you have returned to us from a placement or a summer break.

I hope that you are making the most of the support, information and advice available to all our students. As well as speaking to your tutors and lecturers, you can talk to [AskBU, the library and learning support team and BU's Students' Union, SUBU](#). More information is available on our [student webpages](#).

It has been great to see the activity for *Your Career Week*, with interesting workshops, talks and the Careers Fair. If you haven't taken part yet there is still time, so find out more by visiting [Your Career Week](#).

We are proud of our diverse and inclusive community at BU, and I was pleased to attend the recent launch of our [BU Respect campaign](#). This important campaign highlights how important respect is in our community and I encourage you all to think about what respect means to you, as well as how we show our respect for each other – students, staff and neighbours.

There have been many changes on campus and work continues on our new bus hub at the Talbot campus. It is great to see the new landscaping, with outside seating areas and plants making a big difference to the feel of the Talbot Campus. Check our website for more information on our plans for [developing our campuses](#).

Over the next few weeks, you'll get to know your Student Reps and find out about the different ways you can share feedback about issues that are important to you, what works well and your ideas for the future. Whichever way you choose to share feedback, we will listen, consider your views and share a response – visit our [Student Feedback webpages](#) for more information and to see our responses to previous feedback- and to our new students.

In the Spring of 2018, we will launch an exciting new vision and strategic plan for BU based on our fusion of education, research and professional practice, which is at the heart of everything that we do. Our Fusion vision is key to creating a fantastic student experience at BU. We will be seeking your views on our plans later in the year.

I wish you all the best for a successful 2017/18.

Best wishes,

John Vinney  
**Vice-Chancellor**

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